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I, J. B. Kraft, declare that:
I am the attorney herein.

Prior to February 22, 2001, I received a copy of International Business Machines Corporation's Invention Disclosure AUS8-2000-1353, which was assigned International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) Attorney Docket No. AUS920000929, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A to the accompanying Declaration of the Inventors herein. I was requested to write the patent application by the IBM Intellectual Property Law Department (IPLaw), Austin Texas.

In due course within my regular work schedule, after preliminary discussions with the inventors, I commenced the actual written preparation of the present patent application on January 6, 2001, and completed my final draft of the application on January 10, 2001. On or about that date, the

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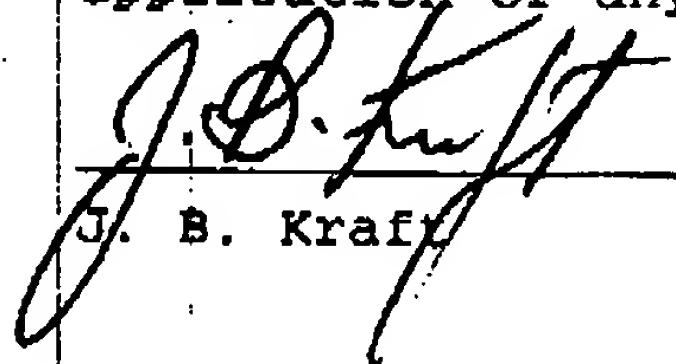
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draft of the application was submitted to the Inventors and IBM's IPLaw Department for comments and additions. A copy of the entries from my Diary made on days January 6 through 10, 2001 are attached as Exhibit "B". The entries which refer to the present Application variously as "AUS92000-929", or "Docket 929" show that I spent a total of 30 hours drafting the Application during that period.

My Diary, Exhibit "B" further indicates that on January 23, 2001, I completed a "redo" of the draft for most of that day. Since, there are no further entries with respect to this Patent Application in my diary, this indicates that on January 23, 2001 the draft of the present Application was in its final form as filed in the United States Patent Office on March 8, 2001.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein are of my own knowledge and are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


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